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Re Docket No AB-497 (Sub-No 4X), Minnesota Northern Railroad, Inc -- Abandonment Exemption -- in Norman County, MN

Dear Ms Quinlan

I hereby certify that as counsel for Minnesota Northern Railroad, Inc., I have served a copy of the Board's decision in the above proceeding, bearing service date of December 3, 2008, on representatives of Perley Community Cooperative, Halstad Farmers Elevator, and Mitchell Farms

Respectfully submitted,

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